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Eugene Black left today for Germany. He sent me a message stating he had spoken with Selwyn Lloyd about the UN Bonds. He was told that the UK would buy some, but first the Chancellor would have to take a fresh look at the UK Balance of Payments position.

Virginia and Henry Pleasants arrived tonight, to stay a few days. E and I dined with Nancy and David Perth at 2 Hyde Park Gardens. They have a beautiful apartment there, with many oriental art objects. The guests were the Prime Minister and Lady Dorothy Macmillan, Lady Ancaster (Nancy Astor's daughter), the Leo d'Erlangers, another man, and ourselves. [redacted]

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he headed the International Organizations section of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. His brother is conductor of a Czech provincial orchestra, and the Ambassador claims music is his own hobby. I found him, like his predecessor, sympathetic and conversationally pleasant.

We are lucky here, to have as the representatives of three Iron Curtain countries as agreeable and intelligent men as are the Yugoslavian, the Polish and the Czech Ambassadors.

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I lunched today, by invitation of Henry Tiarks, at J. Henry Schroder & Co's banking house in the city. Alexander Hood, and others whom I already knew, were there. The Chairman is Mr. Schroder, son of the old Baron, with whom I lunched in the 20's when Averell Harriman took me there in connection with a Silesian business venture. The elder Schroder has been dead for many years. I recall him as a picturesque character who imported his own coffee from a plantation he owned in Guatemala.

On the way back to the office I stopped at the Ethiopian Embassy, 17 Princes Gate, to sign the book, because of the recent death of the Empress.

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